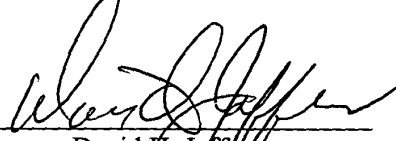


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I, David H. Jaffer, being hereby warned that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. 1001, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any resulting patent, declare that a response to the Office Action dated May 8, 2002 , and the appropriate extension fee were timely filed with a Certificate of Mailing on November 8, 2002. All statements made of my own knowledge are true and all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true.

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